

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The paragraph beginning on page 9, line 13, has been amended as follows:

It is also possible, in order to improve the properties of the coatings of the invention, to add to these coatings an amount ranging up to 20%, advantageously between 5 and 15%, of a plasticizer. Generally, these plasticizers are polymer materials. Mention may be made in particular of copolymers of ~~methacrylate or~~ butyl acrylate or butyl methacrylate and of ethylene, copolymers of vinyl acetate and of ethylene acetate, or other polymer substances miscible with the basic substances and capable of having an influence either on the rheological properties of the coating composition during the coating process, or on the properties of the final coatings themselves.

The paragraph beginning on page 10, line 5, has been amended as follows:

The subject of the invention is also a process for preparing a coating composition as defined above, wherein an esterification reaction is carried out between at least one polyol as defined above with at least one fatty acid of a first group (A) and at least one fatty acid of a second group (B) as defined above and, optionally, at least one polycarboxylic, in particular dicarboxylic, acid as defined